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To Secretary to Chief Commissioner, General Department.

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General No. 1143 / No. 165 1878-79.

Forwards for the orders of the Chief Commissioner certain proposals regarding an increase to the Town and Cantonment Police Force.

Police

cost of the Police is but a heavy quota for the Municipality to bear. With the Petlad Municipality, the case is different: the cost of the Police already incurred (the) whether applied by Govt on account of the Mutapha &c. He comes on then to the head [illegible] to shew that expenditure since the new assessment (excepting during the famine). He claims that cost of Police annually a charge on the head of revenue of Cambay might be obtained (but) I do not reasonably think that to this should be a fixed quota of the total charge for present purposes I think the Nawab pays the increase of Rs. 632 per annum claimed as hardly defensible

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say that I will give to the proposals made my full consideration, but under the very pressing financial embarrassments of the State it is quite impossible that any change involving increase can be entertained for at least the current year.

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Sir has come up at an unfortunate time. I do not think that there is any thing to be gained in these expenses as to preclude immediate any reference at least to next year.

We cannot probably increase his proposals for increase by effectually. I do not know understand his objection. Cambay pays 20 thousand increase cost as recommended by him, not debited wholly to the State. The case of the Cantonment is different

Office of the Inspector General of Police in Mysore.

No. 1143/165 } 1878-79.

Bangalore 15th October 1878.

Diary No. C 3405/92

From,

The Inspector General
of Police in Mysore.

To,

The Secretary to the
Chief Commissioner
of Mysore.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward for submission to, and for the orders of the Chief Commissioner, a letter from the Assistant Superintendent of Police, dated 8th February last, with two Statements attached, applying for an increase to the Town and Cantonment Police Force.—

(in original to be obligingly returned).—

2. Together with the above letter, I enclose another of the same date, No. × as per margin from the same Officer, begging that his proposal may in the first instance, be submitted to Mr. Gordon, at that time holding the office of guardian to His Highness the Maharaja, who, Mr. Hewetson said, was desirous of expressing his views on the increase, which from his experience as Inspector General, he was able to say was advisable if necessary.—

× No. 922/259 (of the 8th Feb. 1878)

Mr Gordon's appointment to the post of Chief Commissioner shortly after, deprived me however of the advantage of gaining an expression of his views on this very important subject. I have however given the matter particular attention, in view of remedying the many defects which I much fear are inherent in the Bangalore Police, without unduly straining the resources of the State during the present financial depression.

4. I cannot but feel that the time selected for submission of this application, which reached the office of the Inspector General of Police before I joined it, is exceedingly inopportune, when the country is but just emerging from a period of unparalleled famine. I have therefore struck out all recommendations which, though advantageous, are not in my opinion imperatively necessary. ——

5. I shall deal first with the Cantonment Police, and Mr Knowlson's recommendations will be found in detail in the statements herewith submitted. ——

Briefly notes they are as follows:-

(1) Increase of the pay of the European Officers.

(2) Increase of the Detective Force.

(3) Reduction in the size of Beats.-

(4) Reserve to meet Casualties. —

(5) Abolition of 4th Class Constables. —

Increase of pay of European Officers.

(a) As regards the 1st proposal, Mr Hewetson's recommendations are, the increase of the pay of the Chief Inspectors from 230 + 20, to Rs 250 +30, per mensem. —

(b) The increase of the pay of the 3rd Class Inspectors from 100 + 20 to Rs 120 +20.

(c) The reduction of 3 Chief Constables on of 11, drawing from Rs 40 to 70 each, and the retention of 8 Sub Inspectors drawing:—

1. Sub Inspectors —— Rs 100
3. —— Do —— 270
3. —— Do —— 240
1 Chief Constable —— 40,

inclusive of Rs 15/- Horse Allowance to each one except to the Chief Constable on Rs 40/- being the total increased expenditure on account of the pay of the European Officers, of Rs 140. ——

Increase of the Detective Force

6. Mr Hewetson proposes to have none under the rank of Serjeants in the Detective Force, and to increase it from :-

1 Sub Inspector
1 Head Constable
3 Serjeants
6 Constables

1 Detective Inspector
1 Sub Inspector
5 Head Constables
5 Serjeants
3 1st Class Constables.

The cost of the former is, at present Rs 153/8/.
The increase proposed will entail an extra expenditure of Rs 357/8/. and a total annual expenditure of Rs 4,290. By striking out the Native Inspector on Rs 120, as proposed by Mr Hewetson, a sum of Rs 1440 per annum will be saved, which must be deducted from the above sum of Rs 4,290 leaving a total increased charge of Rs 2,850.

7. Mr Hewetson proposes that the size of Beats be reduced from 3 or 3½ to 2 or 2½ miles, and requires 55 more officers and men to meet the requirements of his scheme. Size of Beats

8. Mr Hewetson proposes that 15 more Constables or 5 per cent of the present number be added to the force as reserve; the cost of which will be Rs 105/. Reserve

9. The cost of this the 5th proposal of Mr Hewetson's will be Rs 46/— Abolition of the 4th grade Constable.

Total Cost.

10. The total cost of these measures including clothing, Contingencies &c. will be Rs 13,350 per annum, ⅓rd of which, as the Assistant Superintendent remarks, will have to be borne by the Cantonment Municipality, and to which the Members of the Committee were undoubtedly objects.—

Pay of European Officers

11. I am of opinion, that the Assistant Superintendent's proposals for an increase in the pay of the higher grades of European Officers cannot be entertained; but I think that if the Number of Chief Constables was reduced from 11 to 8, and the residue given a higher rate of pay, it would add somewhat to efficiency, and be no very great extra expense to Government, thus:—

2 Chief Constables @ Rs 175
3 Do. Do. @ " 60
2 Do. Do. @ " 50 and
1 Do. Do. @ " 40 in charge of Stores: with Rs 15/- House Allowance to Seven of them, would cost per mensem Rs 575. against present cost of 11 Chief Constables at Rs 510. or an extra expenditure of Rs 65 per mensem or Rs 780 per annum.

Increase to the Detective branch.

12. I throw out entirely Mr Bevelson's proposal to increase the Detective branch of the force

force; on the contrary, I am in favor of abolishing this as a separate branch of the Police Force; and the Province is now engaging my attention

13. Desirable, as the reduction of Beats may be it is not at present feasible. — Reduction of Beats

14. An increase of two Serjeants at Rs 10 each and 12 constables at Rs 7 each will entail a monthly increased expenditure of Rs 104, or 1248 per annum, and be sufficiencies to meet immediate exigency. — Reserve

15. This is the one proposal made by Mr. Hewetson which I advocate in its entirety. Rs 6 per mensem is too low a pay to attract any but men of a most inferior class; men in whom no reliance can be placed, who have no position, and no education. The cost of raising the pay of all to Rs 7/- will be Rs 46/- per mensem, and 552 per annum. Thus the total increased expenditure per annum entailed by my recommendations will be:— Abolition of 4th grade Constables

Chief Constables	780
Reserve	1,248
Abolition of 4th grade Constables	552
	Rupees 2,580

16. Under existing circumstances I can advocate no further increase than

than those above discussed. These of course admit of the change in the size of Beats, and the relaxation of the present pressure, but they appear to me to meet the present most pressing exigencies ——

17. I now pass to the question of an increase to the Town Police, which I have referred for the opinion of this Municipality. —

18. The Municipal Commissioners in the proceedings of their Meeting on the 10th August (which are enclosed) acknowledge the advisability of increasing the pay of the Force to obtain a better class of men, but in the 2nd para. they deny the liability of the Municipality to bear the whole burden of the cost of the Police, and quote a letter of Sir Richard Meade's of the 14th March 1872, promising that the question of relieving the Municipality of a certain portion of the cost of the Police shall shortly be reconsidered. —

To Meade 1 BE 460.

19. The Commissioners however appear to have lost sight of the fact, that the 2nd para. of Sir Richard Meade's letter is to the effect that as a rule, the transfer of the Inchiaturfa Revenue to the Municipality, imposes on it the burden of defraying the full cost of the Police. ——

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Under the circumstances I am not disposed to make any alteration in, or addition to the Town Police, with the exception of raising the pay of the 3rd Class Constables to Rs 7. per Mensem, which will give an monthly increased expenditure of Rs 36/. and a total annual increase of Rs 432/-, which, in the event of Sanction should, I think be borne by the State, as well as the additional cost of the Cantonment Police.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedient Servant

W Sandwith
Inspector General
of Police in Mysore

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From

To The Inspector General
of Police

Dated Bangalore 25th October 1878.

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Enclosures No. 6

General No. 5816

G No. 875

Inspector's letter No. 1143/165 R
15th October 1878, submitting
for orders certain proposals
for an increase to the Town
and Cantonment Police Force.

States that the proposals
submitted in the above letter
will be duly considered,
but, under the very pressing
financial embarrassments
of the Province, it is quite
impossible that any charge,
involving increase of expen-
diture, can be entertained
during the current official
year. — Original Docket
returned. —

24/10/1878.

Recd. Bill
Examined, with the Orders
Copied, Docketed &c